United States Southern Command

Arms, Ammunition and Explosives Information Briefing

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Area of Responsibility

United States

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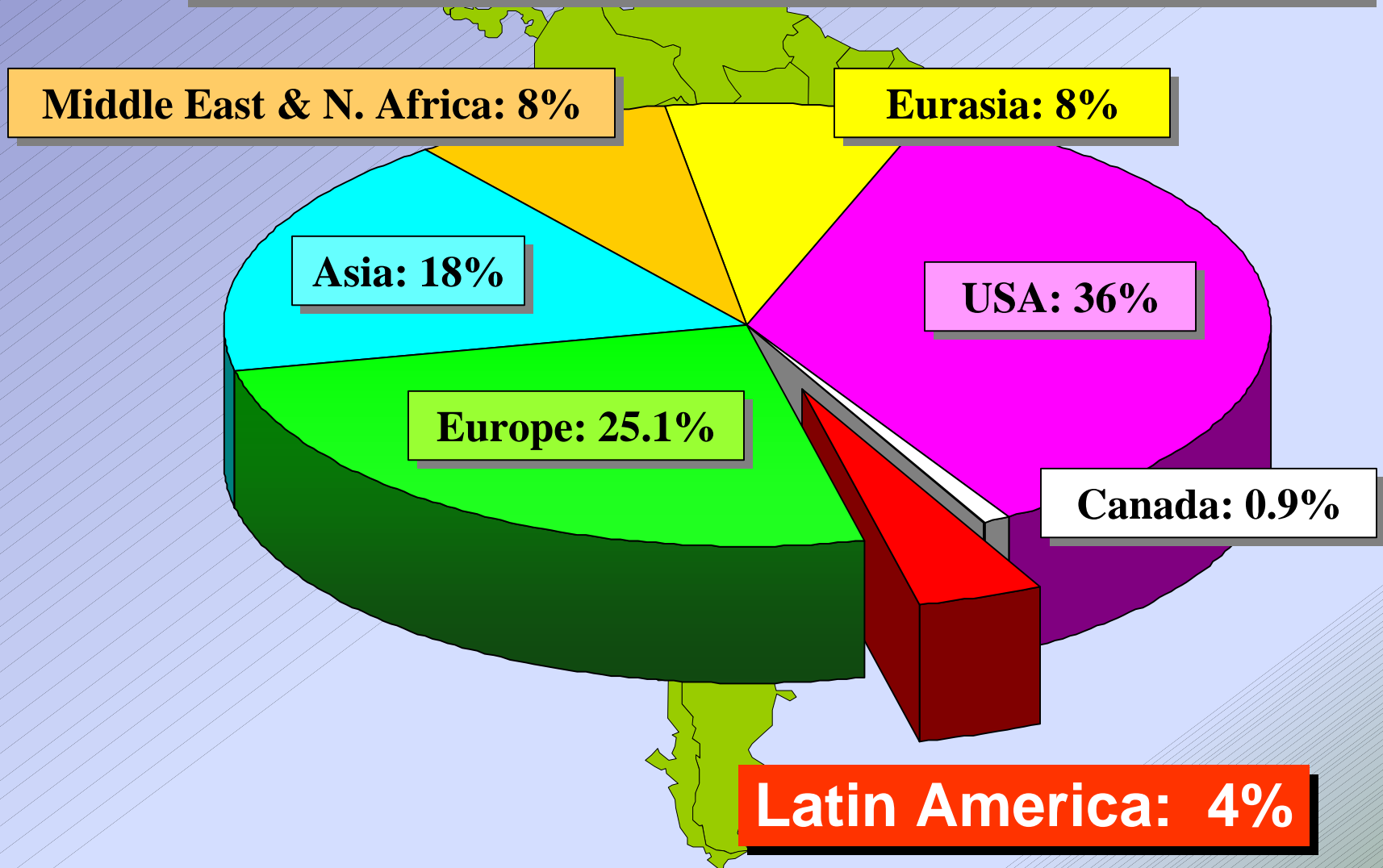
Challenges

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Cuba

Haiti

Panama

Venezuela

Colombia

Bolivia

Ecuador

Paraguay

Peru

Argentina

Perception - Arms Race?

Latin America is the *Least* Militarized Region in the World

Middle East & N. Africa: 8%

Eurasia: 8%

Asia: 18%

USA: 36%

Europe: 25.1%

Canada: 0.9%

Latin America: 4%

Vulnerabilities Throughout Transportation Spectrum

- **Air, Land and Sea capabilities – 32 countries plus**

- **Embarkation / Debarkation ports relatively stable**

- **In-Land transportation may be unstable and unpredictable**

- **Immature ITV infrastructure**

- **Insurgencies, rebels, guerillas, and other bad guys**

- **Lines of Communication (LOCs) are challenged**

Security

- **Force Protection Issues**

- **Host Nation internal security issues**

- **Host Nation infrastructure is not developed**

- **Security force / measures for 24/7**

- **US versus Host Nation standards vary significantly**

- **FMS freight forwarder compliance**

Force Protection

- **USCINCSO sets Baseline FPCON; USDR may increase condition / Random Antiterrorism Measures (RAMs)**

- **Service/unit responsibility to execute / maintain Force Protection Plan via coordination with USDR**

- **Host Nation FP/physical security standards and definitions may vary**

- **FP is a priority with U.S. controlled AAE**

- **FMS freight forwarder compliance is a must**

In-Transit Visibility

- **ITV maturing in AOR**

- **Several APODs operate RFID Interrogators**

- **Satellite tracking non-existent (USG)**
  - ➢ **Beta Test – OCT 02**

- **AIT / AIS issues working w/ DOD AIT Office**

- **Security of ITV assets challenging in Host Nations**

Host Nation Issues

Foreign Laws, Rules, & Regs

- **Each Host Nation operates separately**

- **Host Nation AAE infrastructure**

- **Some more cooperative than others**

- **Insurgencies predicate certain AAE options**

- **ACSAs (5) not applicable**

- **Country Team to work intricate details.**

Safety

- **Trans / movement standards (MTMC, AMC)**

- **Country Team / USG understands <u>Safety</u>**

- **Host Nation priorities and resources may pose limits**

- **USG rules and standards apply where applicable**

Contracting Issues

- **USARSO Executive Agent for SOUTHCOM Contracting**

- **Country Team / USG regulations / processes apply**

- **Host Nation resources may be limited**

- **Security Assistance (FMS/FMF) for HN purchases**

- **Lead times and timeliness are key to success**

Compliance Issues:

DTR – Chapter 205

- **Very thorough – Compliance is the key (who checks?)**

- **CONUS to OCONUS shipper transfer of responsibility**

- **OCONUS Rules – no reference made**

- **Satellite Monitoring / Tracking – required / who pays**

- **FPCON & changes – Ability to react w/ AAE CATs in-transit - OCONUS**

- **Installations / DOD Contractors SOPs – QC & Checks**

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